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In Los Cabos, across the southern capes of the Baja Peninsula, an epic battle of the beach is raging thanks to a surge in ultraluxurious resorts and extraordinary enhancements to fabled grande dames. We update you on the latest developments turning heads.

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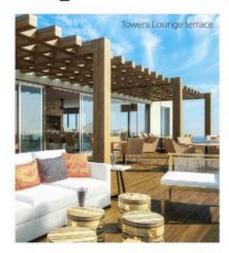








Incredible Expansion





THE TOWERS AT PACIFICA

Pueblo Bonito Pacifica Golf & Spa Resort opened its swanky "resort within a resort" concept in December, comprising three new modernist low-rise buildings that house the enclave's most elevated room products. This expansion of the adults-only, all-inclusive resort increases room count from 154 to 201, including six suites with private plunge pools and the two-bedroom, two-bathroom ocean-view Presidential Suite. In addition to multiple swimming pools and a private beach — and off-site perks such as access to the Quivira Golf Club and its Jack Nicklaus signature golf course — Towers' guests are privy to butter service and access to the VIP Towers Lounge. From \$1,500 per person. 800-990-8250; pueblobanito.com/resorts/pacifica

ON THE HORIZON

ZADUN, A RITZ-CARLTON RESERVE

In December, the Ritz-Carlton brand welcomes this fourth property in its prestigious Reserve portfolio. The Cabo outpost plays out as ultraluxurious, villa-style accommodations with a strong element of **open-air design** rich in stonework and local artistry. The 120-room hotel is part of a larger \$430 million private resort community that also will include 125 Ritz-Carlton-branded residences, known as the Enclaves, and is an element in the 2,000-acre oceanfront Puerto Los Cabos master community, which includes signature golf courses from both Jack Nicklaus and Greg Norman. 855-375-2266; theenclaves.mx/hote/

FOUR SEASONS RESORT LOS CABOS AT COSTA PALMAS

Cabo Este is a wild expanse of desert-meets-the-sea majesty just 45 minutes from Cabo's international airport but an ocean apart from its highly developed sister capes, Cabo San Lucas and San Jose del Cabo. There, in 2018, Four Seasons debuts a 145-room property as the centerpiece of a 1,000-acre private resort community situated along 2 miles of prime beachfront. A Robert Trent Jones II-designed golf course will appeal to golfers, while avid snorkelers and divers will appreciate proximity to the biodiverse waters of Cabo Pulmo Marine Park, 800-917-9115; costapalimas.com



Awesome New Experiences



RESORT AT PEDREGAL

Rebuilt in 2015, this resort maintains its competitive edge in 2017 with a new experiential travel program. Say hello to Beyond the Beach - Baja Luxploration," once-in-a-lifetime encounters that take full advantage of the unspoiled, natural wonders beyond the borders of Los Cabos' hotel zones while adding Pedregal's pampering touch. Choose from six different. day trips, such as swimming with whale sharks in the wild off La Paz, followed by an organic lunch of locally grown delights in the town of Todos Santos; or a full day on a yacht circumnavigating and later exploring, uninhabited Espiritu Santo Island - a mind-boggling marriage of red sandstone cliffs and Maldives-esque crystalline shallows - as well as snorkeling with sea lions and enjoying the sunset with Champagne. Resort from \$675; experiences from \$390 per couple 844-733-7342. theresortatpedregatcom

For a Cabo Splurge, see page 88.